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In re Application of: Dale Burns

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For:

ELECTRONIC COUPON PROCESSING SYSTEM



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Director of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2000, please enter the following

Amendment and reconsider the allowability of the claims based on the following remarks:

In the Claims:

30. (Amended) An electronic coupon processing system for eliminating a presentation of printed coupons at a checkout register, comprising:

a plurality of consumer identification means wherein each consumer identification means is associated with a consumer;

a plurality of consumer accounts associated with said plurality of consumer identification means;

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